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first prices. That was succeeded by numerous quotations which finally resulted at the end in prices generally closing at or near the lowest of the day. All the late rumors concerning the leasing of the Lake Shore Railroad to the New-York Central, or of some arrangement by which the laws might be evaded and the two companies merged, were exploded by the following dispatch from Saratoga: "Beyond the transaction of routine business all that was done at the meeting of the Lake Shore directors was to arrange for a control of the Chicago and Canada Southern line, at an expenditure of not more than \$750,000." At the meeting of Central and Hudson directors nothing was done except about a new depot at Buffalo, and land titles in connection therewith." So the story on which the price of Lake Shore was moved up over ten per cent within a week had no better basis than the fact that the directors of the two companies were called to meet on the same day at Saratoga, on business so different that